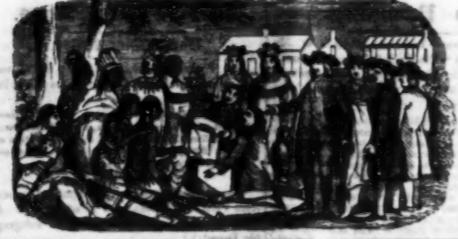


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At the young adoptions run to waste,  
We water but the desert, where arise  
But weeds of dark briars, roses of base,  
And the winds, they blow, and the waves of  
Pain, which we have given, are back again,  
And the waves of pain are poison :—mark the place  
Which spring beneath her bosom, and the  
Waves of pain, and the waste, and waste,  
For those celestial fruits which we want.

Childhood's Pilgrimage.

The gentle hours of shadowy youth,  
When the heart was all love, and the spirit all gladness,  
When the world was all beauty, and the sun all light,  
The bright shades that shamed the highest mountain,  
Would change and grow with the young heart's growth.

The Phantom of Pleasure was loitering on,

But, ah ! all too soon on the sound reached the truth,

And suddenly it turned, dissolved, and disappeared.

The Phantom it treated—the fault that plagued

And never again on that heart feels the touch.

That made the blue hours where drowsy sleep did close.

For the pains of the reader of the treasures.

Were others not the Phantom of Pleasure?

Not then, treatment in the dust of death,

Or the agonies of the Narragansett, whose chief

was to be avenged.

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